Statement

Name of Customer	Shri Sadhu Gadadhar Dash
Date of Registration	5.3.1992
Reason of delay in providing telephone connection	Area was technically non-feasible.
Date of connection	Connection was provided on 8.9.2001 after opening of a new telephone exchange at Pratap Pur.
Compensation	No compensation has been paid.

Cheap mobile phones to consumers

†3033. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited propose to provide very cheap WLL mobile phones to consumers; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN):(a)Yes,Sir.

(b) BSNL is providing following options to its customers in respect of WLL (Mobile) handsets :—

(i) Customer may bring his own handset.

(ii) Purchase of handset from BSNL upon payment of its cost in 25 monthly instalments of Rs. 200 each.

(iii) Provision of handset by BSNL upon payment of Rs. 20/- p.m. towards insurance, etc.

(iv) Provision of handset by BSNL upon payment of security deposit (refundable) of Rs. 5000/-.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.